

FLOYD COUNTY.

Fatal Shooting Takes Place on Bull Creek, This County.

On Bull creek, Floyd county, last Sunday morning John Laferty, Jr., shot and killed John Turner Gray. It is reported that bad feeling had existed between these parties for some time and that they had trouble on the day of the election. They met at church on last Sunday morning a few words passed between them when Laferty drew his pistol and shot Gray twice, killing him almost instantly. It is reported that one of Laferty's brothers who was standing by him shot.

After the shooting Laferty fled to the woods and took refuge in a large cave near the top of the hill on the Beaver creek side. As it had been snowing some on Sunday he was easily tracked and Deputy Sheriff B. G. McCown, who was the first officer to arrive soon tracked him to his hiding place and he was taken in custody and lodged in the county jail. His examining trial is set for Friday, Jan. 2, 1914.

Messrs. Martin Leele, Carver, Richmond, Va., John Phillips, Van Lear, Gunning, Arthur Auxier, Chas. Hut-sinpillar, Walter Schunk, Jack Davis, Claude Stephens, Joe Skruggs, Marion White, Campbell, Ed Stumbo, Canton Stone, Harry Mayo, Wack Stumbo, C. L. Jackson, William McVay, R. H. Leete, Fobte Walker, Charles Evans, Hood, Bennis, and Salyer. At midnight delightful refreshments consisting of sandwiches, olives, pickles and hot coffee were served. The music was furnished by Yates' orchestra of Ironton.

Rev. Olaus Hamilton pastor of the Baptist church, Louisa, was calling on Prof. A. C. Harlowe Wednesday. Rev. Hamilton left on the 10 o'clock train for Pikeville.

Albert Osborn, a prominent merchant of Beaver creek, was here on business Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tom Morgan, of Van Lear, proprietor and manager of the Magnet theatre of this place is having a great deal of repairing done. He has had the floor elevated and enlarged so as to seat one hundred more patrons.

Lee Preston, of Dingus town was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Conn Cheek, of Allen City was in town Thursday.

Martin Leete and Oscar Stephens, who have been attending school in Louisville, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Porter and daughter Lena went to Catlettsburg Thursday.

Misses Nancy Dunn and Ella Noel White left this morning for Jackson, O., where they will visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stumbo, of Allen Mr. and Mrs. Wack Stumbo, of Al-phoretta were in town to attend the dance.

A dance was given in the upstairs of the new Hopkins building Tuesday evening. Those who attended were: Misses Anna Bell Howard, Nancy Dunn, Laura Walker, of Van Lear, Miss Taylor Williamson, Eva Gardner, Oriole Gornely, Maxie Allen, Josephine Harkins, Bess Leete, Edith Fitzpatrick, Ella Noel White and Ruth Davidson.

Messdames D. W. Gardner, Cosier, Wm. McVay, Charles Evans, R. H. Leete, Ed Stumbo, Dick Mayo and Wack Stumbo.

Mrs. J. B. Clark and children left Sunday morning for Steels creek, where they will join Mr. Clark, who is at work there.

Miss Anna Belle Howard, of Ports mouth, is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Howard.

Mrs. H. L. Borders, of Paintsville visited relatives here last week.

Oliver Webb, who has been attending State University, Lexington, is home for the holidays.

Miss Ruth Ellison left Friday for Somerset.

Miss Josephine Harkins is home from Cincinnati.

Miss Lillian Hunt, who has been teaching in the P. B. I. for the past five months, has returned to her home in Louisville. Miss Hunt is a splendid teacher and made many friends while here, who regret to see her leave.

Miss Eva Gardner, of Allen City is visiting Miss Hazel Gardner.

Misses Minerva and Judia Allice Friend, who have been attending school in Cincinnati, returned home Saturday morning.

Miss Claudia Fugate is here to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Combs.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gardner and family, of Salyersville are in town.

Miss Eva Gardner, of Beaver, Jno. Auxier, of East Point and Everett Sowards, of Pikeville spent the week end with Miss Ruth Davidson.

E. P. Arnold left Tuesday for Louisville.

Guy Greer, of Pikeville called on Miss Anna Belle Howard Saturday.

Mrs. A. J. May entertained to six o'clock dinner Tuesday Misses Josephine Harkins, Anna Belle Howard, Claudia Fugate and Bess Leete. Messrs. Jack Davis, Claude Stephens, Martin Leete and Charles Hut-sinpillar.

Mrs. G. L. Howard is suffering from ptomaine poisoning.

Miss Mayme Flanagan, who has been visiting at Portsmouth, returned Monday.

Mr. Campbell, of Gallipolis, O., is here.

Miss Bess Leete entertained a crowd of young folks at her home Monday evening.

Miss Minerva Friend entertained to dinner Tuesday Mr. John Auxier of East Point.

Miss Mattie Trabue, who visited home folks at Pembroke last week returned Saturday night.

Rev. Cheek, of Covington preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Joe Harkins entertained to six o'clock dinner Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Harkins, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Howard, Miss Josephine and Scott Harkins.

Miss Oriole Gornley entertained to six o'clock dinner Tuesday Misses Maxie Allen, Elizabeth Goble, Eva Gardner and Mr. John Auxier.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard visited in Ironton, O., last week.

Hubert Wells spent Christmas with home folks at Paintsville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dinguss, Jr., returned Sunday night from Louisville, where Mr. Dinguss has been working for several years. He will take a position here in the store of James Morrell.

J. C. Hager visited at Graves Shoals last week.

Dr. Joe Shruggs, of Louisville is here helping Dr. R. H. Leete.

Miss Maxie Allen entertained to six o'clock dinner Monday Misses Minerva Friend and Eva Gardner.

Miss Nancy Dunn is visiting Miss Ella Noel White.

RATCLIFF.

The district school was out Friday with a large attendance. A fatherly talk was given by Mr. J. D. Adkins, which was appreciated by both scholars and visitors. The subject of the talk was "The Helpless, the Helper and the Hinderer." A very good subject, but would have suited the occasion better had there been more parents present to have heard him talk on the last topic. Mr. Adkins is interested in our school and scholars, and it would be well enough if other patrons of the district would show the same interest. After the address a large treat was offered which pleased the little ones more than "Uncle Jake's" speech.

Miss Essie Watson, of Grayson, spent Christmas with grandparents of this place.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson was visiting Mrs. Reuben Lansford Friday.

Miss Belvia Lawson spent Christmas with her cousin, Miss Nellie Rucker, of Willard.

Cecil Walden, of Christmas and Andy Woods, of Cadmus were calling on Misses Ella and Cella Stewart Friday.

Miss Nannie Rucker was shopping at W. J. Riffe's store Saturday.

Kay Lawson, who has been sick for some time, was taken to Louisville last week by Dr. Nickel, accompanied by his father to determine the exact cause of his illness but their efforts were in vain and his case still remains a mystery to the local physicians.

Miss Nannie, the beautiful daughter of M. F. Waddel was married Dec. 25 to Mr. D. D. Kern, of Fort Wayne, Ind. Thirty minutes after the ceremony the happy couple left for their western home.

Ribe Lunsford, who is a talented musician, has moved into the house vacated by Ed Waddel. Mr. Waddel having moved into the house recently vacated by Cog Holmes.

Vancens Belcher, who has been visiting home folks for some time, will return to Wheeling, W. Va., soon.

Wade Lawson is visiting home folks.

Little Charley Lawson is very sick with la grippe, which threatens to develop into pneumonia.

Jno. and R. L. Horton have finished their seasons work on the lower farm and report it a success.

Mrs. Bertha and Miss Flossie Lawson were shopping at W. J. Riffe's store late Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Harlan Woods and Miss Ruby Riffe were also shopping Wednesday.

Uncle Isaac Belcher, who is nearly 85 years of age is visiting his son, G. B. Belcher of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Carrol were visiting Mrs. J. W. Rucker Sunday.

Vincent Belcher and Everett Kiger were calling on Misses Anna and Ethel Waddel Sunday.

Miss Lucy Webb was shopping at Ratcliff Monday.

There will be services at Sandy Valley first Sunday, conducted by James Church. CITY FLIP.

PIKE COUNTY.

SUICIDE.

Thurston Compton, 45, a farmer and team driver, met an unhappy end at his own hand last Monday morning between seven and eight o'clock, at his home at Yeager, Ky., six miles up from the mouth of Shelby creek.

It is said Compton had been drinking for several days, and had been the victim of financial straits. His wife died two years ago, and it is thought this also had a bearing on the case. Beyond these causes no motive can be found for the deed of self destruction.

A few moments after taking three ounces of carbolic acid his dead body was discovered by some friends lying on the ground near Andrew Call's store.

SOME CHANGE IN EIGHTY-ONE YEARS.

James Venters, aged eighty-nine, father of Mr. Adam Venters, spent Christmas with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. John W. Kerr, and family at Pikeville, which was his first visit here since the year 1832. Like all those who live the pure and unsophisticated life of the country he has enjoyed perfect health, and is to-day a hale and hearty citizen. Of course, he found nothing, except the everlasting hills, that looked familiar after so long an absence; but his memory recalls the work of the trappers who searched for game day and night over the neighboring mountains when he was a boy of eight.

He is greatly impressed with the modern city of Pikeville, and hopes to pay many more visits here.

He lives with his son, Adam Venters, at Regina.

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS.

The Rev. J. H. Smith, of Ada, O., has been engaged by Rev. I. N. Fanning, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, to begin a series of evangelistic meetings here on January 11th, assisted by a corps of specially trained singers and instrumentalists. It is planned, by the aid of all the other churches of Pikeville, who will take part in the services, to make it the greatest religious period Pikeville ever experienced.

HOTELS CHANGES MANAGEMENT.

The Fuller hotel (formerly the Williamson House, on Main-st.) was yesterday taken over under lease by W. B. Mitchell and J. M. J. Dameron, of Shelby creek. The hotel will be restored to its old name, the Williamson House, but operated on the same plan as recently. Mr. W. R. Fuller, the former proprietor, has moved with his family to their College-st. home.

NEW MASONIC OFFICIALS CHOSEN.

The annual installation of officers of the Masonic Lodge took place in the hall of the Thos. C. Cecil lodge at Pikeville last Saturday evening after the following elections:

Dr. J. D. Meade was chosen as Worshipful Master; Y. B. Pinson, Senior Warden; John M. Hatcher, Junior Warden; T. M. Riddle, Secretary; W. W. Gray, Treasurer; and the Worshipful Masters also made these appointments:

John Adkins, Sr. Deacon; J. K. Thornsbury, Junior Deacon; John Layne, Tyler.

WATCH MEETING.

Several young people of Pikeville held a Watch Meeting at the roller ring Wednesday night, and the birth of the New Year was heralded as usual, by the bells and whistles of the city.

Mrs. Dixie George, who during the past year has conducted the Connolly hotel as its proprietress, returned yesterday from the hotel business to her beautiful home on 3rd street, and the famous hostelry will now be let by its owner, Mrs. Jno. W. Hager, as apartments. Mrs. George was a most successful manager and she easily sustained the reputation acquired by the hotel in a great many years running.

Ernest Polley is now an employee of the C. & O. as brakeman. During the past two years he has been a member of the U. S. Army. He will go to Fort Wright, N. Y., on Feb. 1st and obtain his discharge from the army and return to Pikeville to assume immediate charge of his duties again.

Under the auspices of the Independent Holiness order of our city, of whom Rev. A. D. Cline is the recognized leader, a meeting began last week at the Royal theater building which will continue indefinitely.

Mr. Cline opened the meetings in which negroes and whites alike participated. He was later joined by Wm. Deal, traveling sales representative of the Belknap Hardware Co.,

his wife and five others, of Ashland. At the beginning of this week the meetings were transferred from the theater to the First Methodist church building, and Mr. Deal made it plain to the negro population that they would not be admitted. Otherwise, the series of revivalistic services have been harmonious, and large congregations have thus far been in attendance.

We take this method of thanking our many customers of Pikeville and vicinity for their liberal patronage during the holidays. We hope by honest effort to merit a continuance of their support. We shall keep the highest grade of musical instruments and jewelry and many other things including the New Goodrich Sewing Machine, fine family Bibles and Testaments, sheet music, Headquarters for diamonds, high grade watches, including the 24 J Bunn Special and fine watch repairing. We sell the Regina Music Box and talking machine combined, two fine musical instruments in one. It has no superior from \$25.00 up to \$500. Call and see our Baldwin Player Piano the best that is made. Wishing one and all a happy and prosperous New Year, we are yours for business and to please.

THE J. T. GEVEDON
Music and Jewelry Co.

Local and Personal.

John Sowards left by the early train Thursday for Louisville, where he will enter the K. M. I.

Mrs. Willis Station left Monday in company with Mrs. Elaine Varny for Williamson, West Va., where they will be the guests of friends for a few days.

Miss Lora Ramey, of East Point is the guest of her friend, Miss Miltie Huffman, here this week.

C. B. Sterling, of Marrowbone has recently been appointed as superintendent of the Shelby Coal company, Sheibana, Ky. Mr. Sterling was in town Tuesday.

W. P. Frost and W. C. Conway, of Ashland were business visitors here early this week.

The Misses Loretta Prindle, Oma Vaughan, Mayme Elliott and Mr. O'Rear Fogg, of Paintsville were all here in a party Tuesday.

Mrs. C. W. Latham and Miss Augusta Senter, of Elkhorn city were here shopping last Tuesday.

The Proctor Players have staged ten days of excellent vaudeville at the Imp theater, having closed the series of performances Wednesday night.

Jon W. Kerhr has been very sick at his home on Elm-st. during the past week.

John Sword is a victim of malaria fever.

Mrs. Kate D. Hatcher, with her two daughters and son have gone to Harold, where they will spend a few days with relatives.

Attorney W. H. Flanery, of Catlettsburg, with attorney E. D. Stephenson, who has been there on business for several days, arrived at Pikeville Sunday night.

Wm. Deal, of Ashland, assisted by Rev. Allan D. Cline and others, conducted a series of Holiness meetings at the First M. E. Church last week.

Everett Sowards went to Prestonsburg on business last Saturday.

Prof. W. M. Byington of K. N. C. Louisa, came up to Harold station by the Sunday night train.

It is said that owing to a great many protests on account of the new railway schedule which have recently been addressed to officials of the C. and O., the new schedule may be annulled, and the old one reinstated.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walker, who have spent the Christmas season with friends at Ashland, returned with their two children to their home at Pikeville last Sunday.

Raymond Greer and Chas. Elliott returned at the first of the week from a brief business visit to Paint.

John A. Sowards, who has recently spent several days with home folks here, left Thursday morning for Cincinnati, where he will re-enter college.

Stephen Reynolds has moved his meat market from his former location on Main-st. to the building formerly used as a sample room near the Pike hotel on Theater-st.

Medley Crum, of Williamson, W. Va., spent several days of last week as the guest of his mother Mrs. Willis Station, here.

Frank and John Gregory have spent several days recently with friends in Cincinnati.

Scott Campbell, of Huntington has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Emerson Stratton, here for several days.

The public school will close with this week for a short vacation, and will open its doors for the winter term on January 12, 1914. This term will be under the management of the same faculty and will be of eighteen weeks duration.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We want to thank the many good friends and kind neighbors for their acts of kindness to us during the sickness, death and burial of our beloved husband, father neighbor and friend. BETTIE MAY AND NANCY MESSER.

Obituary.

William C. May was born in Pike county, Ky., March 16, 1834; departed this life Dec. 13, 1913, aged 79 years, 8 months and 27 days. He moved from Pike county to Boyd county, when he was 20 years old. He married a woman by the name of Runyon. To this union were born six children, five girls and one boy. His first wife died near the close of the Civil war and he remarried to a woman whose maiden name was Elizabeth Eastham. He lived with her 21 years and she died the spring of 1900, after which he married a woman whose maiden name was Bettie Hodge, the widow of Melvin Browning, who is now his widow. Uncle Clem as we always called him was a soldier in the Civil war, a member of Co. F. 10 Regt. Ky. Cavalry and was a pensioner when he died. He lived a number of years near Cadmus, Fallsburg, Vessie, Yatesville, Ohioville and Tuscola and was known by a large number of people and he was loved and respected by most all that knew him. He had been a member of the Regular Baptist church for 40 years and had lived a blameless life ever since. He moved in our country, and when he came to die said he was ready to go and that he saw angels in his room. His funeral was preached by Revs. Martin Berry and V. L. O. Harman, after which his remains were taken to the W. M. Cooksey graveyard and there placed by the side of his wife Elizabeth, who was buried there in the year 1900 to wait the resurrection morning. Weep not friends, Uncle Clem is only asleep in Jesus and if we work our way to Heaven we will meet him on Canaan's fair shore, where we will never again take the parting hand. A FRIEND.

TO REBUILD HINDMAN.

The burned business section of Hindman, Knott-co., is to be rebuilt, the work of construction billed to start at once. Thoroughly modern and up-to-date business buildings will rise up. The Hindman Bank will construct a \$20,000 house. Francis Day and Co. will construct a splendid store and office building.

CHANGE IN LIMIT AND PARCELS POST RATES.

Office of the Postmaster General, Washington, December 6, '13.

On and after January 1, 1914, the limit of weight of parcels of fourth-class mail for delivery within the first and second zones shall be increased from 20 to 50 pounds and in the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth zones from 11 to 20 pounds.

The rate of postage on parcels exceeding 4 ounces in weight in the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth zones shall be as follows:

THIRD ZONE.—Six cents for the first pound and two cents for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

FOURTH ZONE.—Seven cents for the first pound and four cents for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

FIFTH ZONE.—Eight cents for the first pound and six cents for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

SIXTH ZONE.—Nine cents for the first pound and eight cents for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

A. S. BURLISON,
Postmaster General.

Washington, December 6, '13.

On and after January 1, 1914, gold coin, gold bullion, and gold dust offered for mailing between any two points in Alaska and between any point in Alaska and any point in the United States or its possessions shall be inclosed in sealed packages not exceeding 11 pounds in weight and sent by registered mail. The rate of postage thereon shall be two cents an ounce or fraction thereof regardless of distance in addition to the regular registry fee.

All regulations or parts of regulations in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded. A. S. BURLISON,
Postmaster General.

Washington, December 6, '13.

On and after March 16, 1914, the classification of articles mailable under Section 8 of the Act of August 24, 1912, authorizing the establishment of the parcel post service shall be extended so as to include books. The rate of postage on books weighing 8 ounces or less shall be one cent for each 2 ounces or fraction thereof and on those weighing in excess of 8 ounces the regular zone rate shall apply.

All regulations or parts of regulations in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded. A. S. BURLISON,

LETCHER COUNTY.

WHITESBURG, KY., Dec. 31.—With the exceptions of a few chronicles Christmas passed off lovely in Letcher county. At Tillie in the county, Samuel Maggard aged about 60 is alleged to have cut and stabbed to death William Combs aged 21, his son-in-law during a drunken revel in the home of a neighbor. Maggard was immediately arrested and brought to jail here pending an examination to be held to-morrow.

In McRoberts Saturday evening Thomas McGraw, formerly of Morgan county, shot and killed James Hunley, aged 20, his right-hand friend, accidentally, it is claimed. McGraw was immediately arrested and brought to jail here. At an examining trial held before County Judge John D. Fitzpatrick Monday McGraw was held over to the next grand jury in a bond of \$1,000. It is thought, however, to have been a careless, reckless accidental shooting.

Tuesday Mrs. Cora Webb Gibson, aged 28, of Bottomfork, this county, was killed on a charge of lunacy and adjudged insane. She was committed to the Eastern Kentucky Insane Asylum at Lexington the following day. This is the third time the woman has been sent to the asylum. Owing to the prominence of Mrs. Gibson the affair caused a wide wave of sympathy throughout Letcher county.

The present session of the Fiscal court will, it is said, make provisions for the immediate construction of a steel bridge across the Kentucky river at Mouth of Colly three miles above here in the county. Owing to the dangerous ford at that place the bridge is greatly needed. The Fiscal court is taking a step in the right direction.

Whitesburg, Ky.—According to telephone information received here from the plant of the Eikhorn Coal and Gas Mining Company, east of here on the Pike county border a man named Mitchell committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart. The deed is said to have been committed in the presence of his wife who was in feeble health, and his two small children.

Financial depression and failure in a business venture are given as the causes that led to the suicide.

JENKINS.

Well Christmas is over and I must say we had a very quiet one. Everybody quiet and sober, all seemed to be enjoying themselves.

First, but not last of all I must mention our Christmas exercises, first on Christmas afternoon about three o'clock they had a beautiful Christmas tree for the boys and girls of the Sunday school, and on Christmas night the entertainment was given, there were about 40 or 50 boys and girls engaged in the play, each one acted their part fine. Yes and I must not forget to mention dear old Santa he did not fail to make his appearance with his merry laughing face. He had lots of beautiful toys for the children.

The house was packed and after the entertainment was over each member of the Sunday school received a nice box of candy.

We have been having some beautiful weather for the time of year haven't had but little snow yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of Jenkins spent Christmas at Van Lear with their children.

Mr. Oaks, who was so badly burned by electricity about 4 months ago and is in the hospital here, seems to be improving and it is thought he will recover.

Mr. Daniel, the organ and piano agent is supplying the town with organs and pianos.

School closed here during the holidays. ONE ALONE.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the stockholders of DeLorne Lumber Company, held at Columbus, Ohio, on the 6th day of December, 1913, the following resolution was adopted:

"Now, therefore, on motion duly seconded, it is Resolved That the DeLorne Lumber Company, a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of Kentucky, does hereby discontinue business as a corporation, and surrenders to the said State its charter and corporate privileges, the company having disposed of all its property of every kind and nature, and having accomplished the purpose for which it was organized."

W. M. RITTER, President.

Next in lonesomeness to an empty hammock swinging loose in the wintry wind is an empty Christmas tree, laying in the street, waiting for some one to haul it off.